

2018-09-20 Linear First-Order ODEs (2.2)

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Modeling Pollution in a Lake

- Lake contains V L of fresh water
- Water flows in and out of the pond at the rate of r L/year
- Incoming water is polluted with $\gamma(t) = 2 + \sin(2t)$ kg/L of pollutant

1. Obtain an ODE for the amount of pollutant (in kg) at time t (in years.)

NOTE: Check units and remember to define variables!

Let $q(t)$ = amount of pollutant (in kgs) in the pond at time t (in years)

Use “rate of change = rate in – rate out” principle:

rate in = $r\gamma(t)$ (kg/year)

rate out = $r \cdot \left(\frac{\text{amount of pollutant}}{\text{amount of water}} \right) = r \cdot \frac{q(t)}{V}$ (kg/year)

change of pollutant over time = rate in - rate out

$$q'(t) = r\gamma(t) - r \frac{q(t)}{V}$$

2. What assumptions are made in this model?

1. V is a constant number, r is constant.
2. The pollutant is perfectly mixed in the water coming into the lake.
3. The lake doesn't change in shape.
4. All incoming water is 100% polluted, which excludes rain and other forms of precipitation.
5. No variation in $\gamma(t)$.

3. What is the solution of the DE?

- The DE is NOT separable, so you must use the method of the integrating factor

Integrating Factor: $\mu(t) = \square(t) = e^{\frac{r}{V}t}$

$$q' + \frac{r}{V}q = r\gamma$$

$$e^{\frac{r}{V}t}q' + \frac{r}{V}e^{\frac{r}{V}t}q = r(2 + \sin(2t))e^{\frac{r}{V}t}$$

$$(e^{\frac{r}{V}t} * q)' = r(2 + \sin(2t))e^{\frac{r}{V}t}$$

Integrate both sides

$$e^{\frac{r}{V}t} \times q = 2Ve^{\frac{r}{V}t} + r(-Ve^{\frac{r}{V}t} \frac{2V\cos(2t) - r\sin(2t)}{r^2 + 4V^2}) + C$$

$$q = 2V - rV \frac{2V\cos(2t) - r\sin(2t)}{r^2 + 4V^2} + C/e^{\frac{r}{V}t}$$

$$e^{\frac{rt}{V}} q(t) = \int r e^{\frac{rt}{V}} (2 + \sin(2t)) dt$$

$$e^{\frac{rt}{V}} q(t) = 2r \int e^{\frac{rt}{V}} + r \left(e^{\frac{rt}{V}} \sin(2t) \right) dt$$

$$e^{\frac{rt}{V}} q(t) = \frac{2r \left(\frac{V}{r} \right) e^{\frac{rt}{V}} + r \left(-Ve^{\frac{rt}{V}} \right) (2V \cos(2t) - r\sin(2t))}{r^2 + 4V^2} + c$$

divided by $e^{\frac{rt}{V}}$ from both sides

$$q(t) = \frac{-rV(2V \cos(2t) - r\sin(2t))}{r^2 + 4V^2} + 2V + \frac{C}{e^{\frac{rt}{V}}}$$